--- 1/12th Pound - “Series of 1915” - 155 x 15 mm. - scanned at 100% scale ---

The catalogue lists the 155 x 15 mm. black, 1/12th pound “Series of 1915” strips as follows:

RP-750 - 1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. red control numbers***
RP-751 - 1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. violet control numbers***
RP-752 - 1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***
RP-753 - 1/12th pound, *imperforate*, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***

As can be seen in the scans the colour of the control number is a washed-out lilac. It seems that the purple pigment used in the ink was not very light-fast - not uncommon for this shade. A lot of the strips collected as cancelled in blue ink are probably a faded violet. If a roller cancellation uses **I.R.D. coding**, it can be generally said that the colour of the control number is ***violet***.

I have separated the *coarse roulette* from the *imperforate* strips, but it is probable that many form a continuous batch, with the imperforate seeing use in the later stages by the larger companies when the machine application of the strips was more common.

--- RP-750 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. red controls* - on wove paper with a distinct *horizontal* mesh ---

The initial 1915 strips used ***red controls***, followed by the ***purple controls*** introduced in 1917, and finally by the ***blue controls*** circa 1925. The paper used for the ***red control*** numbers exhibits a very distinct *horizontal mesh* similar to that used in the “Series of 1897”.

RP-750 - 1/12th pound, coarse roulette, control **1514605**
Roller cancelled **6-17 / TOBACCO** by “Imperial Tobacco”, Montreal

1514605★ RP-750 1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, rollered **TOBACCO / 6-17**

This “Series of 1915” strip with ***red control*** numbering seems to have been introduced while the “Series of 1897” was being brought to completion. Probably their respective usages were intermingled for a short time.

--- RP-751 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - *undated* roller cancellations ---

RP-751 - 1/12th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **0000000**, with seven purple zeroes in the control panel

0000000 ★	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with seven purple zeroes
0205000	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, an unreadable roller cancellation
1481360 ★	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered TOBACCO / **1 - 17**
1613016	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered TOBACCO / **1 - 17**
3137028	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded TOBACCO / **1-30**
4238831	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette
6276419	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded TOBACCO / **7-8**
6823390	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, an unreadable purple roller cancellation
8373451	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded TOBACCO / **7-8**

Judging by the dated copies, which follow, in this 'virtual' computer collection, there are at least three control number runs of 10,000,000 strips combined in the above undated listing.

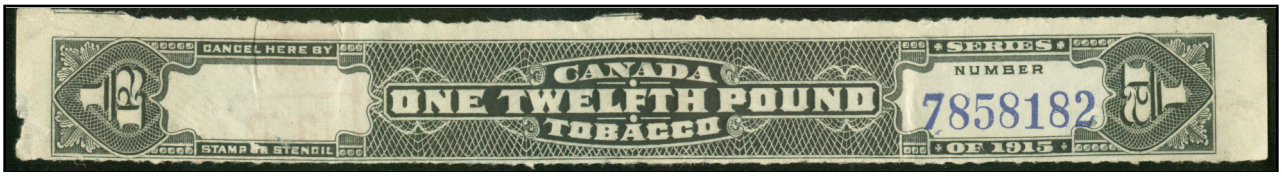
--- RP-751 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - *dated* cancellations ---

The earliest *dated* I.R.D. coded example of the *coarse roulette* 1/12th pound "Series of 1915" comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in August 1916, and the last *dated* comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in September 1919. The paper exhibits a *horizontal mesh*, but it is much less pronounced than that used on the *red control* strip.

The collection ***does not contain*** a copy to scan. **WANTED!**

6082632	08/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 8 1916**
6661726 ★	08/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 8 1916**
6682632	08/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 8 1916**
8343393	08/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 8 1916**
0108799	10/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 10 1916**
1041890	11/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 11 1916**
1042024	11/16	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 11 1916**
9417466	02/17	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 2 1917**
1035944	08/17	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 8 1917**
9995902	11/17	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 11 1917**
5388790	06/19	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 6 1919**
7194851	09/19	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6 -17 / TOBACCO / 9 1919**

--- RP-751 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - *undated* roller cancellations ---



RP-751 - 1/12th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **7858182**,
Roller cancelled TOBACCO / **13-D** by the Excise Office in Quebec City

0205000	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, unused
0618352	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 1 - 18 - E
0618323	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 1 - 18 - E
0619252	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 1 - 18 - E
3004023	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 3 - 18 - E
6699489	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 1 - 18 - E
6880954	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 1 - 18 - E
7162354	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 40 - 10 - D
7858182 ★	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded TOBACCO / **13-D**
8373238	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 18 - 10 - D
8851576	RP-751	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 18 - 10 - D

The above list contains several individual control runs (of 10,000,000 strips) which have been combined.

--- RP-751 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - *dated* cancellations ---

The earliest *dated* coded example of the *coarse roulette* 1/12th pound **"Series of 1915"** comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in February 1923, and the last *dated* comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in December 1925, as the **Series "A"** 1/12th pound rounded end strip was being introduced.

RP-751 - 1/12th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **4993499**
Coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 4, 1923** by "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in April 1923

3367713	02/23	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 2, 1923**
4488793	03/23	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 3, 1923**
4993499 ★	04/23	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 4, 1923**
2466051 ★	09/23	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 9, 1923**
5355041 ★	07/25	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 7, 1925**
8369476	12/25	RP-751	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 12, 1925**

The ***blue control*** numbered strips were probably introduced under the Budget of 1924, and the final purple controlled strips listed above seem to be remnants. There are not many dated examples, as only "Imperial Tobacco" was dating their production at this time, and the preceding *undated roller cancellations* would be fitted into the *dated* cancellation sequence.

--- RP-753 - *imperforate* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - *undated* roller cancellations ---

The earliest *dated* coded example of **RP-753b** - the *coarse roulette* 1/12th pound "Series of 1915" using ***violet control*** numbering, comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in February 1923, and the last *dated* comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in December 1925. The 1/12th pound **Series "A"** strip was introduced in 1926.

RP-753 - 1/12th pound, *imperforate*, control **0486225**
Roller cancelled **1 / 10 - D** by "Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal

RP-753 - 1/12th pound, *imperforate*, control **0959612**
Roller cancelled **1-17 / TOBACCO** by "Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal

0486225 ★	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
0777533	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / **1 - 8**
0959612 ★	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / **1 - 17**
2380910	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
3290693	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
3839995	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
4752087	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
4812299	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
5730061	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
7303201	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
7333772	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / **1 - 17**
7641480	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / **10-10D**
9271254	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, an unreadable violet roller cancellation
9647093	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered TOBACCO / 1 / 10 - D
9882736	RP-753	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered 1 - 18 - E

--- RP-753a - *imperforate* - *4½ mm. blue controls* - *undated* roller cancellations ---

I have recorded the following *imperforate* strip with ***blue control*** numbering. This is ***probably an error*** on my part, and the strip was likely *coarse roulette*, or control number was in ***violet ink***. Nevertheless I leave it standing here - just in case. It is not listed in the new catalogue.

9266796	RP-753a	1/12th pound, ***imperforate***, rollered **1-10-D**

--- RP-752 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. blue controls* - *undated* roller cancellations ---

RP-752 - 1/12th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **6672370**
Roller cancelled **10 - 10 - D** by "W. Landry & Cie", Montreal

0591180	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-18-E**
1339573	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
1670492	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
1671542	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2016327★	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 6-13-D, on an unpriced pouch of **Mayfield - Fine Cut Tobacco** by Rock City
2118917	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2140484	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2707518	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2707668	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2707698	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
2759615	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, unreadable roller
2804760	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
3099727	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered TOBACCO / **3 / 18 - E**
3839995	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette
4119690	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
5730061	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
6325632	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, unreadable roller
6672370★	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **10 - 10 - D**
6698087	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18 - 10 - D**
6789595	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18 - 10 - D**
7333772	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1 / 18E**
8860163★	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **7-13-D**, an unpriced pouch of **Winner - Smoking Tobacco** by B. Houde, Quebec City
9149120	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, an unreadable roller cancellation
9149177	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, an unreadable roller cancellation
9271254	RP-752	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, an unreadable roller cancellation

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--- RP-752 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. blue controls* - *dated* cancellations ---

The earliest listed ***dated*** 1/12th pound "Series of 1915" strip using ***blue control*** numbering comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in December 1925. The collection ***does not contain*** a copy to scan. **WANTED!**

8369476	12/25	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6 -10-D / TOBACCO / 12, 1925**
0275021	02/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 2, 1926**
6463484	06/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 6, 1926**
7062169	04/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 4, 1926**
7505734	04/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 4, 1926**
5184426	05/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 5, 1926**
5502845	07/26	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 7, 1926**
6236897	02/27	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 2, 1927**
7847969	03/27	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 3, 1927**
3820291	05/27	RP-752	1/12th pounds, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 5, 1927**

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